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SCIENTISTS GET BIG WELCOME AT BRILLIANT FETE

Pan-American Union Tenders Reception to Delegates in Session Here.

BARRETT GREETES GUESTS

Need of Closer Commercial and Political Relations Will Be Discussed.

LAW CODE MAY BE INDORSED

Congratulatory Cablegrams Received by Convention from Presidents of American Republics.

With a luxuriant setting in the magnificent home of the Pan-American Union, architecturally one of the most beautiful buildings in the western hemisphere, a brilliant reception last night was tendered to the delegates to the second Pan-American Scientific Congress, now in session here.

The reception was by far the most brilliant event of the day in Washington and was virtually the only event of importance on the program of the convention. Nearly 4,000 persons attended, including diplomats of all the pan-American republics, government officials and many society folk of prominence.

The building was in gala attire for the occasion. The simple but wondrously effective beauty of the architecture, with its Spanish design and tropical effects, was enhanced by special decorations of artistic conception. The Marine Band played during the entire evening, under direction of Lieut. Santelmann.

The guests were greeted at the door by John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American Union, who gave every one a warm welcome and happy greeting. The receiving line was formed at the head of the south stairway. In the line were officials of the union and diplomatic representatives of all of the pan-American republics.

The beautiful "Hall of the Americas" at the top of the stairway was utilized.

Villa and Zapata Start New Revolt

Manifesto Signed by Antonio Gama Being Secretly Distributed.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 1.—Birth of a new revolution in Mexico to overthrow the recently recognized Carranza government was announced today. Gen. Francisco Villa and Emiliano Zapata will be chief actors in the new movement, according to handbills which are being secretly distributed in Mexican circles.

This manifesto, which was drafted at Pachuca on December 25, is signed by Antonio Diaz Soto y Gama, recently proclaimed president of Mexico by Gen. Zapata.

Gama, who has been Zapata's chief adviser since the revolution started five years ago, is one of Mexico's most talented lawyers and speakers. He was Zapata's personal representative at the revolutionary convention held at Aguas Calientes a year ago and made himself famous by calling the Mexican flag a "dirty rag," causing a riot at one of the sessions, which nearly cost him his life.

Three Killed in Trolley Crash.

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 1.—A heavy fog this morning and a misunderstanding of train orders are said to be the causes which led to the collision of a passenger and freight car on the Gary and Interurban Railroad, eight miles west of Lafayette. The motorman of the passenger train and two passengers were killed and the motorman of the freight car was so badly injured that his recovery is not expected. Eight passengers were injured.

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Is Sunk Soon After Promise by Austria

The Austrian note subscribing to principles set forth by the United States in regard to submarine warfare on passenger ships was sent out from Vienna on December 29. The British liner Persia was sunk December 30, with heavy loss of life, in the Mediterranean, where the Ancona was sunk.

RUSSIAN LINES PRESS ONWARD

Czar's Troops Beat Back Austrian Forces in Eastern Galicia.

DESPERATE BATTLE NOW RAGING NEAR BUKANOFF

Slav Offensive Is Rapidly Growing in Extent and Violence, Geneva Reports.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Geneva, Jan. 2.—A violent battle is in progress in Eastern Galicia, where the Russians have taken the offensive. East of Bukonoff the army of Gen. von Borheim has suffered a serious check. Dispatches from Vienna say that the Russian offensive is no longer confined to Bessarabia, but is rapidly growing in extent and violence and is spreading east of the Strypa River.

The Russians have achieved important gains in Galicia, while the Austrians are fighting desperate to avert further loss of ground.

London, Jan. 1.—The official report concerning the operations in the western theater of war follows:

"The enemy was engaged in misting activities last night in the quarries north of Loos. Five mines were exploded. They caused only a few casualties and only slight damage to our trenches. No infantry attack was made and we are repairing the damage.

"Our heavy howitzers have caused considerable damage at various points."

Ford Home Again; Says He Is "O.K."

Reaches New York at Midnight and Will Disembark This Morning.

Special to The Washington Herald.

New York, Jan. 2 (Sunday).—The Norwegian-American liner Bergensfjord, bringing Henry Ford to these shores after ill health had forced him to abandon his peace ship, arrived at quarantine at midnight last night. Shortly after 10 o'clock she passed Fire Island and made her way to the anchorage, where she will wait the coming of the immigration inspectors this morning. She should dock at her pier at the foot of Forty-fifth street, Brooklyn, about 9 o'clock this morning. Mr. Ford planned to transfer to a private tug about 7:30.

Mrs. Henry Ford and her son, Edsel Ford, arrived yesterday afternoon from their home in Dearborn, Mich., to meet the pacifist. They were accompanied by several friends from Detroit, and went direct to the Hotel Biltmore.

Mrs. Ford and her son received many notes and messages. One of them was from Prof. Stevenson, of the University of Pennsylvania, who came to New York yesterday with a delegation from an association of college students pledged to the promotion of friendly international relations. He explained that the university, which contains representatives of practically all foreign countries, had sent the delegation to express sympathy with Mr. Ford's ambition.

Mr. Ford on landing will go immediately to the Biltmore and will probably start for his home some time during the afternoon.

The peace pilgrim sent no word last night from his ship except to say that his health was "O. K."

Western Union Loses L. & N. Suit.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1.—In a decision handed down this afternoon Judge Newman, of the Federal District Court, sustained the Louisville and Nashville Railroad's action in excluding the Western Union Telegraph wire and poles from its right of way. Called on to dismiss an ejectment suit filed by the Louisville and Nashville against the telegraph company, Judge Newman declined to do so.

British Search Dutch Mail Bags.

New York, Jan. 1.—While the Dutch steamer Ryndam, which reached port today from Rotterdam, was held up in the Downs by a British cruiser, 500 bags of German, Austrian and Turkish mail were taken off and searched by men on the cruiser. Nothing of importance was found and the bags were replaced.

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AIDS LACKING AT RECEPTION

Secret Service Men Have to Break the Ice at Hot Springs.

MRS. WILSON IN PALE GREEN, WEARS BLACK VELVET HAT

Tea Served in Hotel Lounge as President and Bride Shake Hands with Hundreds.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Hot Springs, Va., Jan. 1.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson made her initial appearance as the "first lady of the land" here this afternoon. The President and Mrs. Wilson emerged from their suite at tea time, and for almost an hour sat in the spacious lounge drinking tea and meeting several hundred fellow-guests and another hundred native Virginians.

Mrs. Wilson wore a gown of pale green shadow lace over cream lace, and a large black velvet hat.

The lounge was well filled when the President and his bride appeared. There was a rather awkward pause after they sat down. Everybody appeared to be waiting for somebody else to start things. The President's naval or military aide usually starts the presentations, but neither was present. Finally the Secret Service men jumped into the breach and started the proceedings by introducing Dr. and Mrs. G. Hinsdale, of Hot Springs, and after that the affair moved smoothly. A line was formed and the hand-shaking was soon over with.

Members of the Vanderbilt and Harriman families who are here were not present. After lunch a short motor ride was taken to Healing Springs, and the President and Mrs. Wilson walked back, a distance of almost four miles.

The President has been informed of the sinking of the British liner Persia only through meager press dispatches. Newspapers get to Hot Springs twenty-four hours old, and no details were available today. He had no communication with the State Department regarding it, and it is probable he will get no official dispatches for several days, perhaps not until the return to Washington the middle of the week.

Belgrade Now "Wilhelmshurg."

Paris, Jan. 1.—Belgrade, the capital of Serbia, has been renamed Wilhelmshurg, after Emperor William, according to Red Cross workers who have just arrived here from Serbia. It was said that the city was renamed by Field Marshal von Mackensen upon express orders from the Kaiser.

William W. Supple, Clubman, Dead.

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—William W. Supple, widely known financier and clubman, died at his home here today at the age of 83 years.

Will the Great World War Last for Another Year?

Famous Statesmen, Soldiers, Publicists, Historians, Poets and Economists of Europe Undertake to Answer the Question

The International News Service asked some of the foremost statesmen in England, France, Italy, Germany and Austria this question by cable:

"Will the war last another year?" Replies were requested to be cabled on New Year's Day. Following are the answers. German and Austrian responses are delayed by the absence of a direct cable. They will be published when received.

By MAURICE MAETERLINCK.

The Great Belgian Poet and Essayist. Paris, Jan. 1.—All Belgium's hopes are for a speedy end of the war. Belgians yearn to return to their own devastated land and repair the war's horrible ravages.

When that moment will come, when the Teuton hordes will receive the punishment they so greatly merit, cannot be prophesied confidently, but I don't believe another New Year's Day will dawn on the bloody European battlefields.

The allies, with smashing blows on the inhuman enemy, must spare mankind any unnecessary prolongation of the frightful carnage.

Nevertheless, while I believe a speedy end of the war is desirable, in view of the interests of civilization, I would not have a patched-up peace.

Germany must be decisively beaten and the Belgian army must lend its strength

to a final blow that will shatter the Kaiser's armed forces.

By VICTOR AUGAGNEUR.

Minister of Marine in Viviani's War Cabinet.

Paris, Jan. 1.—Before the end of July the war will be ended. Meanwhile, the Germans will be forced to do something on two great fronts and their attacks cannot succeed. They no longer have either the moral or material force to make that possible.

They can never again show the same vigor as they did during the year just ended; they may renew their attempts in the north, but must fail. We are prepared with men and munitions for any event.

I feel more certain of a victory resulting for the allies than ever before, and

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Al Ringling, Circus Owner, Dead.

Baraboo, Wis., Jan. 1.—Al Ringling, eldest of the six brothers who thirty-five years ago organized the Ringling Brothers Circus, died today of heart disease at his home here. He was 62 years old. Mr. Ringling had been in ill health for two years and for the last month his condition had grown worse, but was not regarded as critical until this morning. He is survived by a widow but no children. He is the second of the six brothers to pass away. Otto Ringling died in New York about five years ago.

OFFICIALS HERE ACT PROMPTLY

U. S. Consuls Ordered to Get All Facts Concerning Persia's Sinking.

GRAVEST CONCERN IS FELT OVER LATEST SEA OUTRAGE

Negotiations with Austria Over the Ancona Affair Are Brought to An Abrupt Halt.

An official investigation to learn all the facts and place responsibility for the sinking of the liner Persia, on which at least two Americans were passengers, was instituted by the State Department yesterday afternoon.

Following receipt of two official reports from Consul General Robert P. Skinner, at London, confirming the sinking of the vessel by an unidentified submarine, cabled instructions were sent to Arthur Garreth, United States Consul at Alexandria, Egypt, where the survivors are reported to have landed, and to Olney Arnold, consul general for Egypt, to obtain affidavits of officers and survivors and cable them promptly to Washington.

State Department officials expressed the gravest concern over this latest submarine disaster. Coming at a time when the entire submarine controversy was considered as practically settled, the sinking of the Persia was a distinct shock to Secretary of State Lansing.

The immediate effect is to bring the Ancona and Lusitania negotiations to an abrupt halt. It was definitely stated at the State Department that no further overtures will be accepted from either Austria or Germany until the facts are obtained in the Persia disaster, and if these facts establish guilt of the submarine commander, until full disavowal is made and reparation offered.

It was definitely stated last night that the question of whether the American passengers aboard the Persia lost their lives or were saved, the demand of the United States would be the same, as the unalterable position of this government is that no Americans shall be placed in jeopardy by illegal submarine warfare.

AMERICANS ON BOARD LINER TORPEDOED, WITH LOSS OF 300 LIVES

British Steamer Persia Blown Up by Submarine in the Mediterranean and Sinks Within a Few Minutes.

NOT KNOWN IF SHE WAS WARNED

United States Consul to Aden McNeely and Charles H. Grant, a Boston Merchant, Among Passengers—Survivors Picked Up and Taken to Alexandria, Egypt.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Jan. 1.—The big Peninsular and Oriental liner Persia was sunk by a submarine's torpedo near the Isle of Crete on Thursday with heavy loss of life.

Two Americans are believed to have been lost. One, Robert N. McNeely, was United States consul at Aden. He was on his way to assume the duties of his post.

The other was Charles H. Grant, of Boston, a merchant on his way to Bombay.

A third American, Edward Rose, a schoolboy, who sailed from London on the Persia, left the ship at Gibraltar.

TOTAL LOSS OF LIFE ESTIMATED AT 300.

The total loss of life is estimated at 300. This calculation is reached from meager details thus far received. It probably will prove more. The vessel carried 231 passengers, as nearly as can be learned, and a crew of between 250 and 300.

The first direct news of the fate of any of the passengers was received tonight by Lord Mersey, who received a wireless message from Alexandria stating that his eldest son, Col. Charles Clive Higham, was saved.

So rapidly did she sink after the torpedo struck her that only four lifeboats were able to put off. Their capacity was sixty each.

The Persia was torpedoed at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The missile tore a hole in her side below the water line.

The four lifeboats were picked up by a steamship bound for Alexandria. The survivors should have arrived at the Egyptian port this morning.

A brief bulletin saying that the loss

SAILED FROM LONDON FOR BOMBAY ON DECEMBER 18.

The Persia, a steamship of 5,000 tons, sailed from this port for India on December 18. Her passenger list at that time was about 160.

She touched at Gibraltar and at Marseilles for passengers and mail. At both ports she lost some of those who had sailed with her from England and took on others. When she straightened away to the eastward from Marseilles on the long run for the Suez Canal, she had a passenger list totalling 231, by official estimates.

Her officers and crew numbered between 250 and 300. The officers and petty officers were all white men, while the crew, below decks and forward and employees in the steward's department, were principally Lascars.

The Persia was last heard from directly by way of Malta. Submarine opera-

TORPEDOED WITHOUT WARNING, LONDON BELIEVES.

Whatever uncertainty existed as to whether the Persia met her fate from a torpedo was set at rest by an official notification to Lloyds. This stated explicitly the cause of the destruction.

With that point settled, the discussion centered about two points: First, whether warning was given; and, second, the nationality of the submarine which delivered the thrust.

The meager details at hand convinced those most conversant with the situation in the Eastern Mediterranean that the attack was made, without warning, by either a German or an Austrian submarine.

It is pointed out that a strict watch has been kept in these waters for many weeks for British transports. The London view is that an enemy submarine would not let an opportunity slip to deal a blow to an institution so essentially English as the P. and O.

The Persia carried little cargo, but heavy mails. It is positively asserted that she was not transporting war material.

A question which will loom large in future discussions is whether or not she carried guns. It is known that at the outbreak of the war the P. and O. boats were armed with two guns of 4.3 caliber each, mounted far astern. Vessels of the Orient Line, running to Australia, were similarly equipped.

The passenger list of the Persia when she left London included ninety women and thirty-one children, a number of the latter being babies. How many were aboard after the transfers at Gibraltar and Marseilles is not known.

Consul McNeely reached England on the Holland-American liner Ryndam, which left New York November 25. He was on his way to his first post.

LIGHTED FUSE ON BOMB FOUND IN STATE HOUSE

Infernal Machine Was Placed on Floor Under Massachusetts Governor's Office.

Special to The Washington Herald. Boston, Jan. 1.—An attempt to blow up the State house was frustrated today when a suitcase containing five pounds of dynamite with a lighted fuse attached was discovered in the corridor outside the office of Sergeant-at-Arms Thomas F. Pedrick. The office of the sergeant-at-arms is two floors below the governor's office. The infernal machine was in practical working order, and the dynamite would have exploded in time, as was demonstrated when the State police later took it to a suburban quarry and set off the explosive.

The police figure that some one familiar with the State house plan and corridors and also familiar with the movements of the night watchman, managed to plant the infernal machine in the corridor some time during the night.

No clue to the identity of the plotters was found.

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TEN CAPTURED IN RAID ON HYATTSVILLE HOUSE

Six Men and Four Women Arrested Man and Woman Leap from Window and Run to Woods.

The holiday stillness was broken at Hyattsville, Md., at 7:20 o'clock last night when Deputy Sheriff Thomas H. Gar-son led a spectacular raid on a house at Melrose and Railroad avenues, arresting six men and four women.

One of the women, who gave her name as Fannie Caldwell, was charged with keeping a disorderly house. The others, who gave their names as Alice, Dent, Helen Lewis, Clara Barton, William Johnson, Jesse Jones, Joe Curtis, O. C. Carvel, Beny Radcliff, and G. M. Williams, were charged with disorderly conduct. They will be tried at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning at the Hadenburg jail.

Deputy Sheriff Garrison, assisted by Bailiff John Salnter, Assistant Bailiff W. W. Rush and Harvey Smith, placed their prisoners under arrest after a struggle, during which one man and woman leaped through a window and escaped into the woods. At a late hour the two who escaped had not been caught.